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FM: ((POSS UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENT 541ST STORAGE AREA REGIMENT)) TO: ((POSS UNIDENTIFIED ELEMENT 541ST STORAGE AREA REGIMENT)) ((IN HERE)) HE HAVE DESTROYED FOUR DISTRICT SEATS AND ONE PROVINCIAL CAPITAL, ((THEY ARE:)) THUAN-MAN, BUON-HO, HOA-BINH, DUC-LAP AND THE PROVINCIAL CAPITAL OF BAN-ME-THUOT. DESTRUCTION WAS LARGE. TWO THOUSAND SOUTH VIETNAMESE TROOPS INCLUDING 18% OFFICERS, ELEVEN AMERICAN ADVISORS, THREE SOUTH VIETNAMESE COLONELS WERE CAPTURED. THE 44TH, 45TH AND 53RD REGIMENTS OF THE 23RD DIVISION AND MANY CIVIL GUÁRD AND RANGER UNITS WERE COMPLETELY DESTROYED. MORE THAN 1888 TONS ((OF AMMUNITION)), MANY 185MM HOWITZERS, 28 155MM HOWITZERS AND VEHICLES OF ALL TYPES WERE CAPTURED. ((WE)) LIBERATED 2888 CIVILIANS, COMPLETELY DESTROYED THE ENEMY'S 23RD DIVISION. THE LIBERATED AREA IS 288 KILOMETERS LONG. ON THE 18TH OF MARCH, WE STRUCK AND LIBERATED PLEIKU AND KONTUM. THE ENEMY FLED ((WITH)) VEHICLES OF ALL TYPES. WE BLOCKED, STRUCK, A ND DESTROYED THE VEHICLES BUT 388 ((MANAGED TO ESCAPE)) ALONG ROUTE SEVEN. WE DESTROYED THE VEHICLES BUT 388 ((MANAGED TO ESCAPE)) ALONG ROUTE SEVEN. WE DESTROYED THE POSITION AT CHEO-REO, CAPTURING 588 AND WOUNDING 588. ((ME)) CAPTURED TEN TANKS, 288 TRANSPORT VEHICLES, TWENTY 185MM HOWITZERS. THE ENEMY AT QUAGG-TRI HAS FLED EVEN THOUGH WE HAVEN'T STRUCK. WE ARE IN CONTROL OF THE PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE. FORBID LISTENING TO THE BBC. NORTH VIETNAMESE CIPHER 281485-1428Z MARCH 75 XGDS-2 XXHH \$1217

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